

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): HAIR et al  
Appl. No.: 09

261,221

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Filed: March 3, 1999

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231Group Art Unit 2873  
Examiner: E. Lester  
Atty. Dkt. P 241416Appl. Title: OPTICAL VENDING SYSTEM  
FOR CONTROL OF VENDING  
MACHINE

Client Ref

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Sir:

**REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

Date: November 8, 2001

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This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herewith by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

**FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

1 Small Entry claim A. <input type="checkbox"/> NOT made B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith D. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> made previously		For B & C See <u>Required</u> <u>Separate Paper</u> (Pat-256)		Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Larger/Small Entry	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims				55	minus 77	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims				4	minus 4	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) add							+ \$280/\$140 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: December 13, 2001				<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached				(1 mo)	\$110/\$55 =	+ \$0			115/215
				(2 mos)	\$400/\$200 =				116/216
				(3 mos)	\$920/\$460 =				117/217
				(Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos)	\$1,440/\$720 =				118/218
				(Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)	\$1,960/\$980 =				128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract							- \$0		
8. Extension Fee Attached							+ \$0		
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee							+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), add							+ \$180	+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request add							+ \$180	+ \$0	126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)							+ \$740/370	+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)							x \$740/370 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)							+ \$740/370	+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for								+ \$0	
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =							\$0		

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16. \*If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".

17. \*\*If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space

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Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975)

(Our Order No. 71361 241416

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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	Matter No: 241416
	Client No: 71361

**ENCLOSED:**

☒ Response/Amendment ☒ Cover Sheet ☐ Cited/Listed Documents

☐ Completion Request for R 53(f)/PCT Nat.

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☐ 1 Set Formal ☐ 1 Set Informal ☐ Cover Letter

☐ Declaration ☐ # of pages

☐ Assignment ☐ Cover Sheet

☐ Small Entity Declaration

☐ Extension Petition (PAT-111)

# ☐ No. of Priority Documents

☒ IDS Letter ☐ Citing Appln(s) ☐ Foreign Sch Rep/OA

☒ PTO-1449 ☒ Cited Documents

☐ Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b) + (c)

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